

Headwater Forum – September 14th, 2007; 9:00 AM – 12:00 Noon
Indiana State Conference Center – Indianapolis, IN

On behalf of the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) Wetlands Program, you are cordially invited to attend the second *HEADWATER FORUM* workshop on Friday, September 14th from 9:00 AM to Noon at the Indiana State Conference Center in downtown Indianapolis.

The IDEM Wetlands Program has initiated the *HEADWATER FORUM* to create a regional dialog to improve the effectiveness of the Stream Permitting Process. The *HEADWATER FORUM* on September 14th will be the second in a series of four quarterly workshops focused on improving the regulatory approach to headwater streams, tributaries and ditches in Indiana.

The second *HEADWATER FORUM* will highlight the stream classification and assessment methods, mitigation requirements and state programs in place in Ohio and North Carolina. Dr. Robert Davic, of the Ohio EPA will present about Ohio's approach to protecting small headwater systems and the Primary Headwater Habitat Stream evaluation protocol. There will also be a presentation by John Dorney, of the North Carolina Division of Water Quality. Mr. Dorney will discuss the development of North Carolina's stream program, assessment tools and functional approach.

Both the Ohio and North Carolina programs are national leaders in stream assessment, protection, management, permitting and mitigation. We are excited to have Dr. Davic and Mr. Dorney as speakers for our second *HEADWATER FORUM*, and we hope that you will plan to join us on Friday, September 14th from 9:00 AM to Noon for this exciting event. Please RSVP to Mike Schlegel at mschlegel@kci.com.

The Headwater Forum will be held in the auditorium of the State Conference Center on the first floor of the Indiana Government Center (IGC) South. The IGC is located at the corner of North West Street and Government Place in downtown Indianapolis.

This event is free to attend and you are encouraged to participate. KCI Technologies, Inc. has been contracted by IDEM to facilitate the *HEADWATER FORUM*. We look forward to seeing you on the 14th.